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INFO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA PRIORITY

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SUBJ: ECUADOR WITHDRAWAL FROM BANANA MEET

1. MARCH 30 NEWSPAPERS HEADLINE ECUADOR'S WITHDRAWAL FROM BOGOTA MEETING OF BANANA PRODUCERS IN PROTEST OVER COSTA RICAN MINISTER OF ECONOMY KOGANT'S STATEMENTS TO PRESS ABOUT ECUADOREAN PRESIDENT RODRIGUEZ' POSITION ON PROPOSED BANANA AGREEMENT. (KOGANT'S STATEMENTS AND GOE DENIAL WERE SUBJECT OF GUAYAQUIL 301.) PALACE HERE ISSUED TEXT OF WITHDRAWAL STATEMENT OF ECUADOREAN DELEGATE, MINISTER OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE FRANCISCO ROSALES, AND EMPHASIZED THAT TEXT HAD PRESIDENTIAL APPROVAL. IN TEXT ROSALES PROTESTS AGAINST SUCH DISTORTED STATEMENTS AS: A) THAT RODRIGUEZ PROMISED NOT TO SELL BANANAS IN PREJUDICE OF CENTRAL AMERICA; B) THAT THE CHIEFS OF STATE MADE AN AGREEMENT ON PRICES AND C) THAT

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RODRIGUEZ WOULD BOOST BANANA PRICES TO SAME LEVEL AS CENTRAL

AMERICA. TEXT SAYS ECUADOR WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK COMMON ACTION ON BANANAS IN FUTURE, WHEN CURRENT "DISTORTIONS" HAVE DISAPPEARED.

2. COMMENT: AT THIS POINT WE CANNOT SAY WHETHER WITHDRAWAL FROM UPEB PROCESS IS DEFINITIVE OR A BARGAINING STANCE PRIOR TO SCHEDULED FIVE HOUR WORKING VISIT BY COSTA RICAN PRESIDENT JOSE FIGUERES ON APRIL 2. WE BELIEVE ECUADOR WILL ONLY GO ALONG WITH ARRANGEMENTS THAT WILL ASSURE MAINTENANCE OR INCREASE OF ITS BANANA INCOME IN THE CHANGED MARKET THAT WOULD RESULT.
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